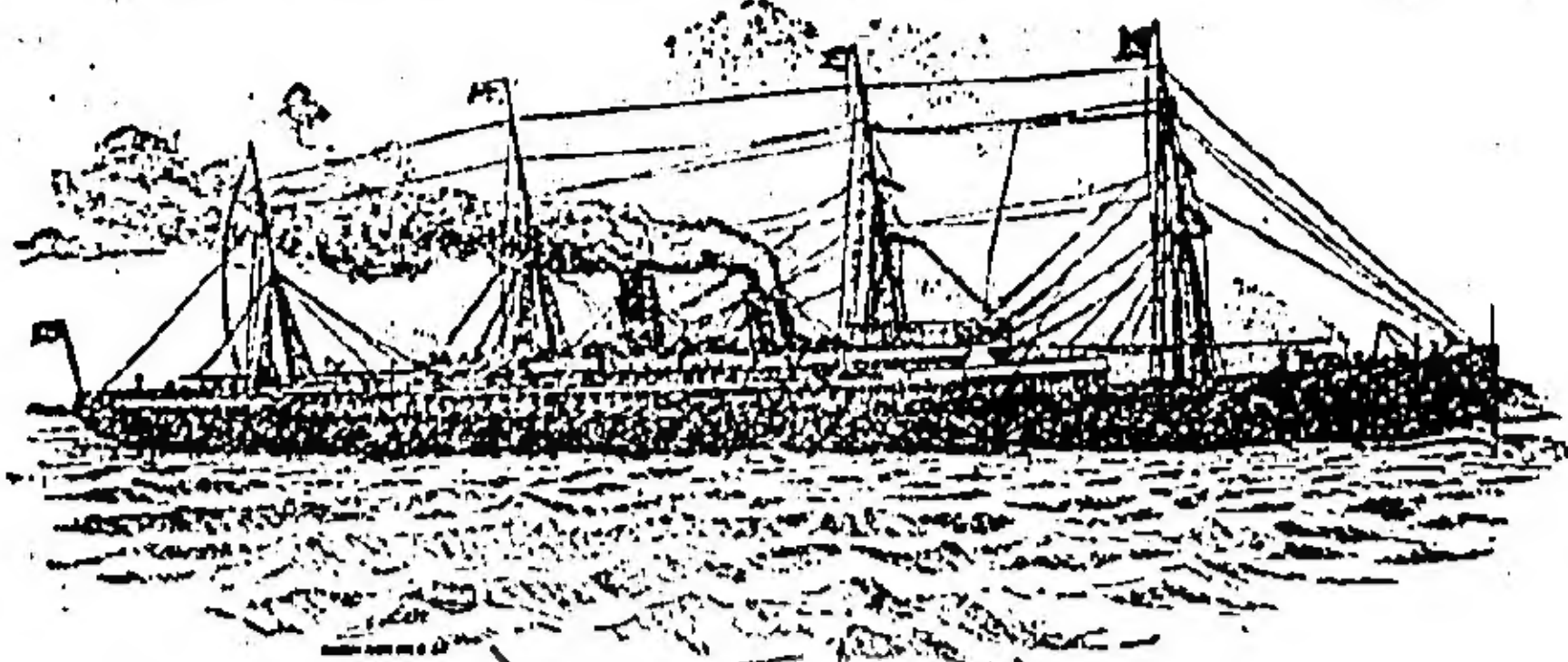


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"HONGKONG MARU".....TUESDAY, 17th March, at 5 P.M.
"CHINA".....WEDNESDAY, 25th March, at Daylight.
"NIPPON MARU".....SATURDAY, 1st April, at Noon.
"SIBIRIA".....SATURDAY, 1st April, at Noon.
"AMERICA MARU".....SATURDAY, 25th April, at Noon.
"KOREA".....TUESDAY, 5th May, at Noon.
"GABO".....WEDNESDAY, 13th May, at Noon.
"KOREA".....FRIDAY, 22nd May, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by S.S. "KOREA", 12,000 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE T.K.K. Company's Steamship "HONGKONG MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, TO-MORROW, the 17th instant, at 5 P.M., taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany each shipment of Cargo or parcel (valued at \$100. Gold or over) destined to Ports, beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

Merchant's Invoice will be sufficient for cargo or parcel (each shipment) when the value is less than \$100. U.S. Gold.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1903.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent.

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THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA
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EMPERESS Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)			
R.M.S.	NAME	Tons	DAY
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 18th March.	
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 1st April.	
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 22nd April.	
"TARTAR"	4,425	WEDNESDAY, 13th May.	
"EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 27th May.	
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 3rd June.	
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 14th June.	
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 22nd July.	
"TARTAR"	4,425	WEDNESDAY, 13th July.	
"EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 27th July.	
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 12th August.	
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 26th August.	

THE magnificent "EMPERESS" Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, "TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS TO A WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

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THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES	
ANDALUSIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	22nd Mar.	Freight.
von Dohren	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO)		
KONIGSBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	10th Apr.	Freight and Passengers.
Mayer	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO)		
SAMBIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	21st April.	Freight.
Schmidt	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG)		
SERBIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	5th May.	Freight.
Delprat	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO)		
SAXONIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	19th May.	Freight.
Brehmer	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG)		
SEGOVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	2nd June.	Freight.
Forck	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO)		

For further Particulars, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, HONGKONG OFFICE, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1903.

Auction.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE VALUABLE LEA'EHOLD PROPERTY situated at Victoria, Hongkong, registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 6A (No. 19, Jervois Street), and held for the unexpired residue of a term of 999 years will be sold by Public Auction in 'one Lot, by Order of the Mortgagee, at Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH'S AUCTION ROOMS, No. 8 Des Vaux Road Central (Corner of Ice House Street), TO-MORROW, the 17th day of MARCH, 1903, at 3 P.M.

For Particulars of the Property and Conditions of Sale, apply to

H. K. H. LINES, Solicitor for the Vendor, 54, Queen's Road, Hongkong, or to Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers, Hongkong, 10th March, 1903. [306c]

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An exceptionally large and showy building, capable of extension, with large piece of vacant land adjoining. Bounded by main roads leading to the Docks and Warehouses.

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Rooms specially reserved for Captains of the Mercantile Marine. Hot and Cold Water throughout. Electrically Lighted. Electric Passenger Elevator to each Floor. Table D' Hote at Separate Tables.

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Hongkong, 23rd October, 1902. [1116d]

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No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

THIS HOTEL, having changed hands, has been re-fitted after the style of a First-Class Foreign Hotel, with rooms en suite and single furnished with every regard to perfect comfort and convenience. The Hotel is in very close proximity to the principal Banks and Merchants' Offices.

MODERATE TARIFF.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1902. [1386d]

Intimations.

WANTED.

A TEACHER for ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

App'y by Letter to BRO. FRANCIS, Director, St. Joseph's College.

No. 7, Robinson Road, Hongkong, 12th January, 1903.

NOTICE.

THE Public are hereby informed that no change has been made in the Rates of Subscription to the Hongkong Telegraph and they are warned against paying more than TEN CENTS (10 cts.) per Single Copy.

THE MANAGER, Hongkong Telegraph Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1903.

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It is a non-poisonous remedy for any venereal disease, whether it be syphilis, gonorrhea, or any other venereal disease, and it is guaranteed to cure the disease without any further treatment.

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Intimations.

NOTICE.

HOUSEHOLDERS are hereby requested to make a Special Effort at This Time of the Year to destroy Rats and to fill up Rat Holes with Cement.

RAT TRAPS and BIRD LIME may be obtained from the Secretary to the Board free of cost.

By Order

G. A. WOODCOCK, Secretary. Sanitary Board Room, 14th February, 1903. [232c]

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents, Pedders Street, TO-MORROW, the 17th March, 1903 at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 17th March, both Days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [235c]

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents, TO-MORROW, the 17th March, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [227c]

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.

THE FOURTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held in the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 14, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 21st March, 1903, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1902, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 21st March, both Days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1903. [288c]

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, Nos. 38 to 40, Queen's Road Central, on THURSDAY, the 26th day of MARCH, 1903, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit of passing the SUBJOINED RESOLUTIONS:—

1. That the Company may underwrite the whole or a part of the fire risks on all, or any, of its properties as the directors may from time to time determine.

2. That the sum of \$200,000 now standing to the credit of Permanent Reserve Fund be transferred to the credit of an "Insurance Reserve Fund" and that this Fund shall be credited with the same premium on the properties underwritten by the Company as if they had been insured with other companies, and that all losses by fire shall be met out of the same Fund.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1903. [308c]

THE CHINA BORNEO CO., LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION).

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in their Scrip to the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 31ST DAY OF MARCH NEXT, in order that same may be exchanged for Scrip for Shares in the New Company.

Dated this 9th day of March, 1903.

J. WHEELER, General Manager.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1903. [308c]

THE HONGKONG DAIRY

REGRET that owing to unavoidable delay on the part of the Shop Fitters, their Town Depot CANNOT BE OPENED until the 1ST APRIL.

G. W. GEGG, Manager.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1903. [295c]

F. BLACKHEAD & CO., SHIPCHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS, AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.

PRAYA CENTRAL HONGKONG, SOAP MANUFACTURERS

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No. 26, Connaught Road, Hongkong, 9th February, 1903. [16c]

Intimations.

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No. 35, Queen's Road Central, Next Door MESSRS. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, 20th November, 1901. 1256c

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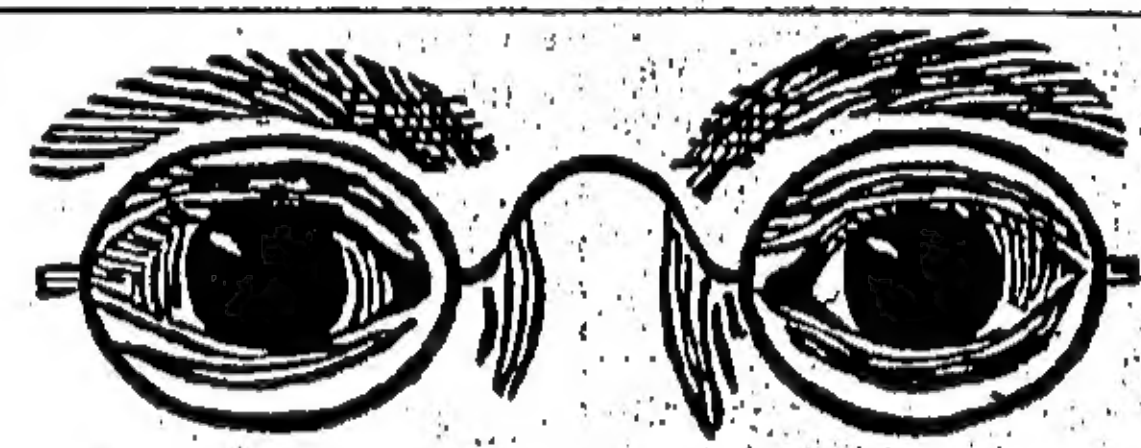
The attention of consumers is drawn to the fact that the Undersigned, being Sole Agents for

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PORTLAND CEMENT. In Casks of 375 lbs. Net (80) per Cask ex Factory. In Bags of 250 lbs. Net \$3.75 per Bag ex Factory.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 3rd December, 1902. [11c]

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AVOID ALL RISK OF OUTBREAK BY ITS USE. W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co., Bank Buildings, Hongkong, 10th March, 1903. [15c]

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1902. [139d]

SANG MOW.

DEALER IN Rattan Furniture, Bamboo Blinds and Matting of All Orders. No. 45, Queen's Road Central, Price Lists On Application. Orders Executed Promptly. Hongkong, 12th May, 1902. [145d]

THE CHINESE EASTERN RAILWAY CO.'S EXPRESS STEAMER "MONGOLIA"

Beyond question the two finest local steamers running in these waters are the C. E. R. S. *Mongolia*, of 1,627 tons net register, Captain Podalka, which is now running weekly between Shanghai and Dalny in connection with the *train de luxe* from Dalny to Moscow, and her sister ship the *Manchuria*, which runs between Nagasaki and Dalny. As the *Mongolia* is likely in a very little while to carry a great many residents of Shanghai and the ports which make Shanghai their starting-point for home, some description of her, the result of a visit paid yesterday, will be of interest.

The *Mongolia* is a new twin-screw steamer, built at Trieste chiefly for passengers, with a speed of 17½ knots. She made her last run from Dalny to Shanghai in 32 hours' actual steaming time, the distance being 553 nautical miles, and the average speed 17½ knots. This means that the Shanghai-Dalny Channel in twenty-one days, with only one night at sea. The programme is for the *Mongolia* to leave here on Thursday morning and arrive at the wharf at Dalny on Friday afternoon. Passengers can sleep and breakfast on board, or go to a hotel, as they prefer; they will have the greater part of the day at Dalny, the train-de-luxe leaving at 4 p.m. on Saturday.

The visitor to the *Mongolia* lands from the gangway on the upper deck immediately opposite the door of the smoking room, a very handsome room, paneled in dark wood, and most comfortably fitted up. It is not excelled in luxury of its appointments by any steamer coming to China. It must be remembered that the Chinese Eastern Railway is really the creation of Mr. Witte, the all-powerful Russian Minister of Finance; and that he is determined that the comfort and luxury afforded by that railway and its connecting steamers shall not be surpassed by any other railway in the world. From the smoking room we pass on to a very comfortable saloon, paneled in light wood, with large windows on three sides, the walls decorated with quaint landscapes in ink and wash of natural colours. There are also in the saloon a piano, portraits of T.M. the Czar and Czarina of Russia, and, of course, an icon on one corner. But what the passenger chiefly requires is a comfortable state-room, and these the *Mongolia* provides for 84 first-class passengers. The state-room space is all painted a pretty shade of light green, the rooms, which are mainly for two, though there are two or three family rooms with four berths, being fitted with spring beds and every modern convenience. The bath rooms, etc., are all of the most modern type, and there is a very comfortable ladies' drawing-room on the ladies' side of the ship. The captain has a very fine suite of rooms, in which he can entertain a few friends, on the bridge deck, communicating directly with the chart room and pilot house, and there are a few special state-rooms for distinguished passengers. There is a library in the smoking-room. The whole vessel is strikingly clean, and in man-of-war order, and everywhere good ventilation is secured by fans worked by electricity.

Throughout everything has been done to make a voyage by the *Mongolia* a pleasure to be sought instead of a trial to be endured, even to the provision of a most courteous captain and officers; and it may be mentioned that Captain Podalka, who is a naval officer, was one of the officers of the Russian Volunteer steamer *Saratoff*, when the latter stood by the little *Mayo* at the wreck of the P. & O. S. *Aden*, and refused to leave until assured by signal that all the survivors on the *Aden* had been rescued by the *Mayo*.—N. C. D. News.

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PREPARATION FOR SMUGGLING

The following interesting information regarding the transport *Seward*, recently undergoing repairs in the Kowloon docks, appears in the *Manilla Cabaret*, of the 11th instant:

Complaint was filed yesterday afternoon by Collector Morgan W. Shuster, in the Court of Customs Appeals, against Harry P. Chamberlain, Capt. and Q. M. U. S. Army, in charge of the refrigerator transport *Seward*, charged with fraudulently and knowingly bringing into the Philippine Islands and assisting in so doing, certain merchandise contrary to law.

The first officer, Hawes, of the transport *Seward* testified that while at Hongkong and shortly prior to the sailing of the vessel from that port to Manila, he was instructed by Quartermaster, Captain Chamberlain, to have constructed in the house-work surrounding the smoke-stack and between the saddle and roof of said house-work, a box to conform to the dimensions of the wood work.

Mr. Hawes in accordance with his instructions states that he transmitted to the ship's carpenter the order, and the box was accordingly made. He did not know, however, whether it was completed in Hongkong or not, but knew it was completed eventually and some time before reaching Manila. He further informed the court that a short distance out at sea on the night of the 6th inst. about 7.30 or eight o'clock various packages were placed in this box, the nature of which he was unable at that time to ascertain, and that this was also done under the immediate direction of Captain Chamberlain.

Mr. Breiland, the ship's carpenter, substantiated the testimony given by Mr. Hawes. He said he made the box, that said box was 12 inches high, 20 inches wide and 10 feet long; the latter width being the width from one side of the wood work to the other. After completing the work and screwing the box in its position, he saw nothing more of it other than a casual glance until he was ordered to unblock it on the night before reaching

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Manila. To accomplish this he got inside the frame work, and received the packages as handed to him by Mr. Hawes, who in his testimony stated they were handed to him by Captain Chamberlain. Mr. Breiland when questioned acknowledged that saw Captain Chamberlain while the packages were being placed by him in the box and when about a dozen or so were placed in he was instructed to screw up the box again. This he did.

Customs inspectors Dunlap and Brampton were then placed on the stand and both testified as to their experience while aboard the *Seward*. The inspector boarding her, Mr. Dunlap asked Captain Chamberlain the usual questions asked incoming steamers to complete their entry and when asked if he had any cargo, received in reply the answer that there was no cargo. The question again asked Captain Chamberlain, who again answered no, stating that the only cargo he had was one package belonging to himself.

Inspector Brampton received the same replies later on, although from the testimony given by both men, there appeared a suspicious disposition on the part of Captain Chamberlain for the customs officials to leave the ship on his statement that everything was all right. The officers however were not to be fooled and by patience succeeded in finding the hidden packages.

The merchandise consisted of the following:

1 package, linen, embroidered, and fur; 1 package, containing 1 dozen silver cocktail cups; 1 package, containing 1 case Satsuma ware; 1 package, containing embroidered doilies; 1 package containing silver cocktail shaker; 1 package, containing embroidered linen; 1 package, containing embroidered linen; 1 package, containing embroidered linen and cotton tissues; 1 package, containing 1 piece of Canton linen; 1 package, containing embroidered linen table covers, napkins and doilies; 1 package, containing 3 pieces Canton linen; 1 piece Chinese silk, Chinese silk embroidery, and embroidered linens and various other articles.

When the last mail left Manila the case had not been concluded.

FRENCH JOURNALISM!

The romantic and imaginative journalists who sway the destinies of *L'Avenir du Tonquin*, observes the *Strait Times*, have discovered a fresh grievance to the effect that Hongkong does not treat its French visitors properly. Commencing a diatribe by stating that *Hongkong nous boude*, it says that our sister colony shamefully neglected the Hanoi Exhibition and the Government officials at Hongkong are alleged to cordially detest France and all things French. And then, on the other hand, U. S. soldiers and sailors are permitted to treat the place as though it was a conquered country. According to the *Avenir* they parade the streets at all hours of the day and night, howling and committing all kinds of excesses. But the *Avenir's* best gem is its description of how Admiral Courbet obtained his coal from the Hongkong Authorities under threats of bombarding the Governor's "Palace" when the cathedral clock tolled twelve. This happened in the early days of the China war. It would be instructive to know who the Governor in question was and whether the *Avenir* thinks its readers believe its stories of the kind?

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Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent. Hongkong, 13th March, 1903. [1]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Hongkong, 10th March, 1903. [874d]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "VICTORIA" FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

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Captain Mayer, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 P.M., TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 17th instant, at 4 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1903. [1304e]

S.S. "SYDNEY."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES OF Cargo from London and Havre, ex s.s. *Charente*, and from Bordeaux, ex s.s. *Cambrai*, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, TO-DAY, the 12th instant, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after THURSDAY, the 19th instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 19th instant, or they will not be recognised. All damaged packages will be examined on THURSDAY, the 19th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1903. [1004c]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

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Hongkong, 12th March, 1903. [1004c]

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BOMBAY MARU BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO TUESDAY, 24th Mar., at Noon.

SHINANO MARU VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, U.S.A., via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA TUESDAY, 24th Mar., at 4 P.M.

YAWATA MARU NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA WEDNESDAY, 25th Mar., at Noon.

WAKASA MARU KOBE and YOKOHAMA FRIDAY, 27th Mar., at Daylight.

KUMANO MARU SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE FRIDAY, 27th Mar., at 4 P.M.

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A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, 13th March 1903.

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By Command,
F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 10th March, 1903.

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MARRIAGE.

On March 7th, at the Cathedral of the Good Shepherd, Singapore, by the Rev. Father River. ISABELLA, youngest daughter of the late Michael Byrne, of Singapore, to CARR P. JOAQUIM.

DEATHS.

At No. 217-4 Queen Street, Singapore, on 6th March, MATTHEW GERARD GEORGE LUCAS, aged 64 years, late of Kingston, Canada.

On the 9th March, at Shanghai, PER R. GOMOLOFF, 1. M. Customs, aged 27 years.

On the 10th March, at Shanghai, CHUN HIN-SHAN, late agent for Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. at Ichang, aged 44 years.

On the 10th March, at the Shanghai General Hospital, MAX. M. BOSSHARD, aged 23 years, native of Switzerland.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MARCH 16, 1903.

THE SANITARY BOARD.

We have to refer again to this subject, but on the present occasion to an advertisement on the leading article appearing in to-day's issue of our morning contemporary. In discussing the forthcoming appointments to the Sanitary Board of this Colony, the leader writer in the *Daily Press* said—"Those who have advocated that the community should be given a larger control of the municipal affairs in the Colony will doubtless be thankful for the small mercy which is vouchsafed by the Ordinance, but it is as well to point out that it may prove to be a disappointing concession after all, for the question naturally suggests itself: Of what race are the two elected members likely to be—European or Asiatic?" We beg herein to join issue with our contemporary. The question of the appointments stands entirely on its own merits, and we fail to see wherein racial prejudice can arise in a matter which concerns the public weal of the Asiatic as much as the European in the Colony. Government by the people and for the people is so well recognised and we cannot but admit that it has contributed in no small measure to the greatness of the British nation, that we should much regret if the advocacy against that principle were to prevail and act as a hindrance to the success and popularity of our public institutions, especially so, when our contemporary is forced to the admission that "at this stage in the history of the Colony, where there are so many educated leaders of opinion amongst them [the Chinese], it should surely be too pessimistic a view to take that a popular election might stimulate organised opposition to the whole scheme of sanitary reform." It should be inconsistent if our Government were to deny to the Chinese the limited system of franchise such as it obtains in the Colony under the new Public Health law. The whole system of education in Hongkong initiated from the earliest days of its foundation and improved upon by successive efforts on the part of almost every chief of the Administration, aided by men whose peculiar knowledge of the country and the people eminently fitted them to advise, has had, for its principal aim, the training of the Oriental mind to grasp and act upon the principles enunciated by Western thought. Thanks to the educational policy of the Government no less than to the zealous staff of teachers which public funds and religious societies have provided, the Colony has been able to provide a service of qualified men to largely meet the commercial and other needs of the East, without whom trade might not have been developed with the rapidity with which it has progressed, particularly within the past decade or two. An eminently gratifying departure from the purely quill-driving profession has taken place within recent years by certain "educated leaders of opinion" among the Asiatics and other enlightened members of that community, and the success to which they have attained certainly does not disqualify them from positions to which they have risen entirely by merit and through no favour. We would avoid the invidious task of citing the names of particular individuals; but they are too well known to need to be trotted out in public print as the prototype of many of a class who may well take seats at the board of our public institutions to their own credit and to the honourable service of the Colony. Before dismissing the subject we deem it very apposite to the question to quote certain remarks by Chief Justice Smalke while presiding at the Bench on the occasion of the admission of H. E. Wu Ting Fang (at that time Mr. Ng Choy) to the local Bar. The Chief Justice said:

"I am glad to see that a Chinaman, who was educated at St. Paul's College here and who for years acted as an interpreter in the Police Court, has become a member of the English Bar. In England every office becomes open to talent without favour or affection. A principle was clearly enunciated and no departure therefrom is admissible in fairness to all the subjects of His Majesty, regardless of race or creed."

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

BRITAIN annually spends £100,000 in cabling to Hongkong and the Far East.

THE French Mail of the 9th February was delivered in London on the 13th inst.

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THE N. Y. K. has chartered the British steamer *Asford* to bring 25,000 press-d bales of raw cotton from Bombay to Kobe.

BY the *Wakata Maru* Mr. J. H. Gubbins, C.M.G., Japanese Secretary of the British Legation at Tokyo, and his family are passengers.

GENERAL Booth, the head of the Salvation Army, opened the American Senate with prayer. He is the guest of President Roosevelt.

BERSAWAH G. M. Company's returns for February show that 305 tons of stone were crushed for 156½ oz. smelted gold. Average 10 dwts 6 grs.

ASIATICS, whether furnished with permits or not, are refused admission to the Transvaal and Orange River Colony on account of the plague.

ARTICLES are printed on page 3 relating to the Chinese Eastern Railway Co.'s Express *str. Mongolia*. Preparations for Smuggling, and French journalism.

THE mine in the Rand main reef have struck a 3,300 feet lode 164 feet wide. It increases the Government mining rights by one and a half millions sterling.

REPORTS from Odessa state that Great Britain intends sending a small Mediterranean flotilla to cruise in the Black Sea in order to demonstrate the freedom of the Dardanelles.

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AT a joint meeting of the Directors of the Shanghai Cargo Boat and co-operative Cargo Boat Companies, a final dividend of 7 per cent was declared, making 13 per cent for the year.

THE final signature of the contract for the construction of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway is only awaiting the issue of an Imperial Decree, all other necessary preliminaries having been completed.

A ROYAL Commission has been appointed, with Sir David Barbour as chairman, to inquire concerning the locomotion of London and as to the desirability of establishing some authority to control the railway and various tram schemes.

A REPRESENTATIVE of the Mikado has purchased an X-ray machine, which is to be utilized in the Government mint of Japan for the detection of dishonest employees. The machine will be used to examine suspects as they leave the mint daily, and thus reveal the presence of coins consigned for safe keeping to a guilty one's stomach.

THE Rev. F. J. Hardy, author of *How to be Happy though Married*, has kindly consented to deliver a lecture, under the auspices of the Odd Volumes Society at the St. Andrew's Hall, on Friday next, at 5.15 p.m. on "Marriage." H.E. Sir William Gascoigne, K.C.M.G., will preside and as the public are invited to attend there will no doubt be a very large meeting. It should be noted that the lecture will be given on Friday instead of on the date previously announced.

THE *China Times* of the 4th inst. says:—The *Hsuan* (Capt. Wallace) was the first of the China Merchants' fleet to arrive at Tongku, and both that vessel and the *Hsinyu* were to be seen alongside the wharves at Tientsin yesterday morning. The *Hsuan*, *Hsinyu*, and *Anping*, all of the same line, were due to leave Shanghai on Friday morning. The *Hsuan*, however, was delayed waiting for piece goods, and did not leave till 2.30 on Friday afternoon, while the *Anping* left at 2.45. The three boats had a race to Taku; the *Hsuan* passing the Taku lightship first, in 52h. 10min., followed by the *Hsinyu* 3h. 45min. later, while the *Anping* was 1h. 12min. later than the *Hsinyu*. The *Hsuan* averaged 13½ knots to Taku light. Mr. Brown, engineer of the *Hsuan*, is on the point of going home on 12 months' leave, which fact is believed to account in part for the extra cheerful activity of the ship's boilers. The *Hsuan* passed the *Chingling*, *Hsuan*, *Kungling* and *Lienching* on the way. The *Hsuan* got ashore in the river, coming up yesterday afternoon, and the *Hsinyu* was twice ashore, owing to the strong wind; otherwise the passage up the river was negotiated easily.

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It will be seen on reference to our advertisement columns that, owing to insufficient entries, the race meeting fixed for 4th proximo has been abandoned.

MESSRS. Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd., have opened a branch of their Barber Saloon in the Hongkong Club premises this day for the convenience of members only.

T. R. Lilliputians will finish their Manila season on the 20th inst. From there they go to Vancouver via Hongkong and Shanghai, where they play a season of one month in each town.

H. M. CRUISER *Cressy* will leave Hongkong on the 24th instant for Weihaiwei. The cruisers *Amphitrite* and *Tique* and the sloop *Kanabir* returned from practice this morning.

MR. Masami of Kobe, who bought the stranded steamer *Sendai Maru*, has not succeeded in floating her and has sold her to a Mr. Miyachi of Hiroshima, who is now sending a diver and gear to Quelput to make another attempt.

A NEW steamer of about 2,000 tons dead weight carrying capacity, called the *N. Strava*, and commanded by Captain Brandt, left Hamburg on 6th ult., bound for China, where she is to be employed in the coasting service. The new boat is owned by a syndicate at Blankenese, a flourishing village about 10 miles below Hamburg.

THE following strange cable was sent to the *Atlanta Cablenews* from New York on the 12th inst.—A fierce battle was fought yesterday in the Province of Chili, North China, just north of Tientsin between the forces of the rebels who are supposed to be Boxers and those of the Imperial Government. Meagre details have been received but it is understood that the Government forces had the advantage at the close of several hours' hard fighting.

Hello—Central! Hello!—Give me 3 9 0.—Alright! Hello! Hello! Is this LeMunyon's? Yes. Oh, send me a supply of No. 3 films. I am about to take a trip and shall need a fresh supply of films. Thanks.—Will send same immediately. Goodbye—Good-bye.—*Advt.*

PRESENTATION TO REV. FRANCE.

On last Friday evening a social gathering took place at the Sailors' Institute for the purpose of saying "good bye" to the Rev. J. H. France, M.A., the Senior Chaplain of the Seamen's Mission, prior to his departure for England on furlough. By the kindness of a number of ladies and other friends, the room was transformed from a cold Concert Hall into what might pass for a comfortable drawing-room. Amongst those present were Ven. Archdeacon Banister, the Revs. J. Dutton, J. N. B. Hall, R.N., W. J. Southan, and T. W. Pearce. The proceedings were enlivened by vocal and instrumental music by Mrs. Pierce, Mrs. Brown, Miss Eyre, Miss Parker, Mr. H. Wynne, and Rev. T. Wright, as well as by two gleees *The Carnival* and *The Village Musicians* by a Choir specially formed for the occasion. After tea and cake had been disposed of the Rev. T. Wright, B.A., Junior Chaplain, read a letter from the Bishop of Victoria expressing his extreme regret at being unable to be present, and then introduced Mr. Geo. Pierce, who as the oldest member of St. Peter's Church, had been asked to express the good wishes of the congregation to Mr. France on his departure from the Colony. He did so in a very neat speech in which he reviewed the history of St. Peter's during the last 20 years, and concluded by requesting Mr. France to accept a silver casket containing 20 guineas as a small tangible expression of the esteem in which he was held by the members of the congregation. Mr. France having feelingly replied, the meeting was closed by the singing of a hymn and prayer. It may be mentioned that the testimonial was subscribed for by the accustomed members of St. Peter's Church with the assistance of a few outside friends, who had been brought into specially intimate relations with Mr. France in the course of his work in Hongkong. The full charge of the interests of the Seamen's Church has now devolved on the Rev. T. Wright, until the return of the Rev. J. H. France, who expects to return to the Colony towards the close of the year.—*Contributed.*

ANOTHER BRIBERY CASE.

At the instance of Inspector W. S. Hudson, Tong Kwai Sang, sergeant interpreter of No. 7 Police Station was charged before Mr. F. A. Hazeland this morning with obtaining \$36 from the inmates of No. 12 Praya East. He pleaded not guilty and was defended by Mr. H. N. Ferrers. Inspector Hudson, who is in charge of the Women and Girls Ordinance, stated No. 12 Praya East to be closed about six months ago. Defendant went to the house and told the inmates that should they give him a certain amount of money, which he would give to the inspector, the house would be opened again. Defendant went to the house three times and managed to get \$10, \$13, and \$11 respectively. On information supplied, Inspector Hudson arrested the defendant on Saturday evening at the Kow Shing theatre. The case was remanded till tomorrow, bail of \$500 being allowed.

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FOOTBALL.

SEMI-FINAL OF THE CHALLENGE SHIELD.

The crowd in attendance at the semi-final for the Challenge Shield on Saturday was the largest I have seen this season. The Naval and Military were there in regiments—quite a thousand of them being congregated in bodies around—their lusty cheers at different times reminding one of the Yorkshire and Durham laments at a county match in the North of England. The pavilion was full and a large number of visitors occupied chairs on either side of the building. The crowd was very orderly, but precautions were taken by the 'service' to have a few men in uniform to keep the excited on-lookers from overstepping the boundary. Soon after four o'clock, the ball was on the move, and by the determined look of the Greens (*Ocean*) and Reds (*Glory*), it was evident that both teams meant to do their best to secure the place in the final. The *Glory* attacked their opponent's goal with great dash, their centre forward "The Baby" as his comrades called him, playing with wonderful energy. The Greens were kept very busy at half and back, Pearson proving a very useful, steady and reliable kick, while the goal-keeper was cool and collected, and quite ready to stop the leather every time it got near his hands. The Reds took several shots at goal most of which were punched out, while the others went behind. The left wing of the *Glory* was very fast, Colwell and his partner often getting right down the field to be stopped by the *Ocean*'s backs, who defended their goal admirably. Most of the attacking in the first half was done by the Reds, though very often the right wing of the *Ocean* got away and worked within very dangerous proximity of their opponent's goal, several times putting in a good shot which the man in the white sweater had no difficulty in sending up the field again. It was a desperate, hard game throughout the first half; but so well did the *Ocean* defend their citadel that no points were notched, and when the whistle was blown, the score on either side was nil.

The men had a breather for a few minutes with the usual bit of lemon to clear their throats, and at the sound of the signal, sprang up to do, or die. The wind was now slightly in favour of the Greens, who, by their energetic play, were evidently determined to take every advantage of it. They got well down the field their right wing doing very good work; but the men in Red, at back, were quite equal to the occasion, and repulsed their efforts every time. The *Glory*'s team took a fine run up the field, their centre forward and inside right playing a beautiful passing game—both getting within ten yards of the goal. The shot was taken, and though the *Ocean* custodian made an attempt to save, the ball seemed to slip through his fingers into the net. The shouting at this juncture was immense, hundreds of sailors' caps going up into the air, and cheers enough to make one deaf coming from their throats. This evidently nettled the Green men, who, on kicking off with a dash, appeared dangerous, and got close to the goal of the *Glory*, the result being a corner, which proved of no use as it was kicked behind. Soon after this, hands were given against the *Glory*'s centre forward, who from a close observer's point of view, very frequently used them when jumping up to stop the ball. After they had been playing about twenty minutes, another point was scored by the *Glory*, this time the man on the right wing passing nicely to the centre forward, who was in a very comfortable position, and easily placed it into the net. Things were now looking very hopeless for the *Ocean*, but they stuck to their task and fought their way down the field again, and for some time played very near the other goal getting several corners, which, however, did not prove to be of any use. Foul was given against the Reds, and hands were again the cause of a free kick for the *Ocean*. Towards the finish, the play seemed to get slow, the *Glory* very often kicking into touch when the ball was getting anywhere near their goal. The match finished at 5.45, with the score *Glory* 2, *Ocean* nil. For the *Ocean*, a lot of good work was done by their right forward, while the backs were very able men. The *Glory*'s forwards were very fast, their halves solid, and backs capable men. The *Argonauts* will have their work cut out to beat the winners, but as they say "Time proves all things," we shall no doubt learn the issue of the final on the 28th inst., if the *Argonauts* arrive back when they are expected—about March 24th.

THE SPORT.

CRICKET.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

Public Schools *versus* the Rest, was Saturday's Ground match and when the stumps were drawn the scores were, Rest 235 for eight wickets, (declared), and School Boys 190 for six wickets.

The Craigengower C.C. *versus* R. A. M. C. was played at Happy Valley on Saturday. The former made a total of 75 against the R. A. M. C.'s 47.

ALTERATIONS IN AIDS TO NAVIGATION.

Mariners should note that the Woosung Outer Bar Light-boat has been shifted 1.6 cables S. 23° 15' W. from its former position, and now marks the southern side of the Outer Entrance, of the new channel over the Outer Bar. From it, Woosung Lighthouse bears S. 70° 36' W. distant 17.5 cables. The Woosung Light has been altered, and now shows a fixed white light over the entire arc of its illumination and should be visible in clear weather at a distance of 12 nautical miles. The Woosung Spirit Buoy has been discontinued.

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HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

RIFLE AND CARBINE MEETING AT KOWLOON.

The final rifle and carbine meeting of the members of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps was concluded on the Naval and Rifle Association ranges, on Saturday afternoon. The first shoot commenced on the 28th ultimo, and on Saturday the meeting opened at noon. Towards the end of the proceedings Lady Blake, accompanied by H. E. Sir Henry A. Blake, G.C.M.G., Miss Blake and Sir John Keane, the Private Secretary, arrived in the grounds. The arrangements were successfully carried out by the genial commandant, Major Pritchard, and an energetic committee. The ranges were at 200, 400, 500, and 600 yards, and two sights and seven shots were allowed at each range. The centre of attraction was that of the Corps Championship, and in order to win this coveted prize, the competitor must have the highest net aggregate, with either rifle or carbine, and also be successful for two consecutive years. Bom. Cameron was the winner this year, securing the prize with the creditable score of 94 out of a possible 100. Previous to the presentation of prizes to the successful competitors by Lady Blake, Major Pritchard expressed the pleasure of seeing the Government House party gracing the function by their presence, and dwelt on the kindness of Miss Blake, who personally collected the Ladies' Purse. Gunner Pearce, winner of the Ladies' Purse, then handed a lovely bouquet of violet to Miss Blake, and a similar presentation was made to Lady Blake. Three rousing cheers were then given to the Government House party, and cheers were accorded to Commandant Pritchard and officers of the corps, at the conclusion of which the interesting and profitable meeting was brought to a close. The following are the names of the committee, the successful competitors and the prize donors:

MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE.

Major Pritchard, Capt. Ordish, Lieut. Lammer, Lieut. Craik, Lieut. Northcote, C. S. M. Hooper, Sergt. Stewart, Sergt. Parkes, Sergt. Andrew, Corporal Warren, Bomb. Hance, and Bomb. Hay.

Hon. Secretaries—Major Pritchard and Lieut. Northcote.

SUCCESSFUL COMPETITORS.

Carbine Handicap (200 yards)—1, Gun. Pearce, 35; 2, Cor. Deas, 33; 3, Ser. Vincent, 31.
Carbine Handicap (400 yards)—1, Gun. Strike, 35; 2, Bom. Grey, 33; 3, Gun. A. A. Alves, 33.
Carbine Handicap (500 yards)—1, Gun. Penning, 35; 2, Gun. Cross, 32; 3, Bom. Mackie, 31.
Carbine Aggregate (handicap)—1, Gun. Penning, 98; 2, Bom. Cameron, 97; 3, Bom. Grey, 94.
Carbine Aggregate (net scores)—1, Bom. Cameron, 94; 2, Gun. Strike, 90.
Rifle Handicap (200 yards)—1, Sapper Russell, 33; 2, Capt. Ordish, 33.
Rifle Handicap (500 yards)—1, Ser. Parkes, 31; 2, Gun. Pidgeon, 29.
Rifle Handicap (600 yards)—1, Gun. Stewart, 31; 2, Gun. Horley, 29.
Rifle Aggregate (handicap)—1, Cor. Lapsley, 93; 2, Gun. Stewart, 88.
Rifle Aggregate (net scores)—1, Cor. Lapsley, 93.
Corps Championship—1, Bom. Cameron, 94.
Officers only (handicap)—Major Chapman, 89.
Instructors and Staff only (net score)—1, Ser. Barolome.
Ladies' Purse (net score; 200 yards)—1, Gun. Pearce.
Ladies' Nomination (net score; 200 yards)—1, Gun. Pidgeon; 2, Bom. Cameron; 3, Ser. Penning; 4, Gun. Strike; 5, Gun. Horley; 6, Lieut. Smythe; 7, Ser. Stewart; 8, Ser. Mackenzie; 9, Gun. Abraham; 10, Gun. Holmes; 11, Cor. Lapsley; 12, Ser. Parkes.
Consolation (net score; 200 yards)—1, Gun. Rodgers, 33.

DONORS OF PRIZES.

H.E. Sir Henry Blake; H.E. Major-General Sir W. J. Gascoigne; Commodore Robinson and Dockyard Officials; Dockyard European Staff; Dockyard Works and Loans Officials; Officers of the Corps; Hongkong Dock Co. Staff; Sir C. P. Chater; H. N. Mow, Esq.; W. A. Baker, Esq.; and Messrs. Brewer & Co.
The Ladies' Nomination prizes were presented by:—Messrs. C. E. Le Munyon; Watson & Co.; Kelly & Walsh; Price & Co.; Caldwell; Macgregor & Co.; Lane, Crawford & Co.; Kuhn & Komor; Powell & Co.; Ying Kee; Lock Hing; Wang Hing, and A. Choo.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.

German (*Hamburg*) to-morrow.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 18th inst.
American (*Doris*) 21st inst.
Indian (*Kumrang*) 28th inst.

The Boston S. S. Co.'s steamer *Shamshu* sailed from Yokohama for Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma on the 8th inst.

The Imperial German Mail steamer *Hamburg* left Shanghai on the 14th inst. p.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 17th inst., at daylight.

The Imperial German Mail steamer *Sachsen* carrying the German Mail with dates from Berlin of the 17th ult., left Singapore on Saturday at noon, and may be expected here on or about Thursday, a.m. the 19th inst.

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TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

(By special arrangement with Der Ostasiatische Lloyd.)

The Royal Visit to Denmark.

BERLIN, 14th March, 12.45 p.m.
The Duke of Cumberland is leaving Copenhagen on account of the illness of his son. A meeting with the Emperor was neither looked for nor purposely avoided. There was no intention to offer him the dukedom of Braunschweig or to arrange a marriage between Princess Alexandra with one of the Prussian Princes. The Emperor leaves for Copenhagen on the 2nd April and will return on the 8th, before the King's birthday.

The Reform of Russia.

The Czar's visit to Rome has been postponed on account of the Czar's participation in the work of the Reichsrath. The Czar's reform manifest has received much sympathy in Germany.

Prince Eitel.

Prince Eitel Friedrich, who has been suffering from an attack of measles at Cairo, is better.

General Hahnke.

General von Hahnke has been made a Field-marshal.

M. Delcasse.

The announcement that Monsieur Delcasse is remaining in his present position has been received in Germany with general satisfaction.

The Kiautschou Budget.

Later.

The Reichstag passed the Budget for Kiautschou with only a few unimportant reductions. Though formerly Admiral von Tirpitz had declared that a marked improvement would only be noticeable after the completion of the harbourworks and the railways, already the imports had steadily improved. The reports from Kiautschou are full of hope. The Weihsien coal has been extensively tried and surpasses the Japanese considerably. It is likewise hoped that the whole of the German Navy in Eastern Asia will be supplied in future with Shantung coal.

(Reuters)

Russia.

LONDON, March 13th.
On the occasion of the anniversary of the emancipation of the serfs the Tsar issued a manifesto proclaiming the principles of religious toleration of all creeds: announcing measures for the extension of rural self-government and for relieving peasants of forced labour. The manifesto is considered to be highly significant of concession to the growing liberalism in Russia.

The King to visit Portugal.

It is announced in Lisbon that King Edward will arrive at Lisbon on the 3rd prox. on a four days' visit.

Clerical.

A Clergy Discipline Bill, introduced by Mr. Austen Taylor for the purpose of facilitating the prosecution of recalcitrant Ritualists, especially by abolishing the Bishops' veto, has passed its second reading by 190 to 139.

The German Naval Estimates.

The Reichstag has negative votes for Naval estimates for £650,000; the votes included a sum for a river gunboat service in China.

The Chamberlain's Return.

March 14th.

The papers are full of details connected with the arrival of Mr. Chamberlain, which is described as the last and most striking of home-comings, in which heroes from the war figured as leaders. The papers, while reviewing the successful visit to South Africa, dwell on the importance of the work awaiting Mr. Chamberlain, and declare the dominant thought to-day is, that now a strong man has come back there is less reason for uneasiness in regard to the affairs of the nation.

(N. C. D. News.)

The Coming of the New Viceroy.

According to a telegram which has reached the Grand Council from H.E. Wei Kuang-tao, Viceroy-designate of the Liang Kiang, H.E. arrived at Wuchang on Saturday last, and will reach Nanking on Saturday next. He is expected to take over the seals of his new office on the 20th inst.

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Obituary.

London, 10th March.
The death is announced of Mr. H. C. Leighton-Bennett, Conservative M. P. for the Chertsey Division of Surrey, since 1897.

Great Britain and Russia in Persia.

London, 10th March.
Lord Cromborne, (Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs) stated that, in the opinion of the British Government, it is most desirable there should be an amicable understanding between Great Britain and Russia regarding their respective interests in Persia and elsewhere. Questions involving those interests were lately under discussion by the two Governments. There are no papers to be published.

Col. Lynch's Successor.

Mr. Devlin (Nationalist) has been elected unopposed for Ga'way city in succession to Colonel Lynch.

Terrible Disaster to an Oil Train in New York State.

An oil train was wrecked and caught fire at Olean, New York. The crowd were watching the blaze, when a terrific explosion deluged a number of them with liquid fire. Twenty of them were killed and forty injured.

Rothschild Dying.

NEW YORK, March 11th.
Baron Nathan Meyer Rothschild, one of the richest men in the world, is dying at Naples. His condition is hopeless, but several of the best physicians in the world are working with him.

(Monte-Cablenews.)

The Plague in Mexico.

NEW YORK, March 11th.
The spread of the bubonic plague in Mexico is terrible and rapid. Thousands are dying daily and the authorities are powerless. Although worst on the south-west coast, the disease is general all over the country and it is entirely quarantined against the outside world. Along the Rio Grande a most rigid quarantine continues, the citizens of Texas guarding all the length of the river by volunteer companies armed with shotguns and rifles. Several persons who have attempted to slip across have been shot.

Vesuvius Active.

New York, March 11th.
A terrific eruption of Mount Vesuvius is now going on and the people of the surrounding territory are fleeing in terror. A number of casualties have already occurred among those living on the slopes of the mountain and anxiety is felt for all the country along the bay. The eruption began last Saturday, it was preceded by rumbling which have been noticed for several months past. Saturday the great volcano gave way and began pouring out smoke and ashes at a tremendous rate. Already there has become noticeable an addition to the cone. The explosions are audibly far many miles.

"A. M. RISBEE."

ANOTHER HONGKONG-BUILT STEAMER.

Mr. H. F. Carmichael has added another success to the Hongkong shipbuilding industry in the steam-cutter *A. M. Risbee*, which was recently constructed for the Shanghai Pilots Association. The speed trial on Saturday not only proved satisfactory, but left a very good margin on the right side. An average speed, over the measured mile, of ten and three-quarter knots was attained or, in other words, a knot and a quarter in excess of the stipulation. Those who witnessed the runs (two in number) in Kowloon Bay, included Captain Wittmus, pilot, Shanghai, Captain McCracken, who some time ago assumed command, Messrs. J. F. Carmichael, Kwok Yik Ting, U. Clark, A. Wai, D. Hollis, Captains G. C. Anderson, Geo. Parker, and Mead. After the trial, the steamer was headed for the Wanchai mooring, and the visitors heartily congratulated those connected with the construction of the vessel. A successful career was also toasted to the new craft by the contractor.

The *A. M. Risbee* is 140 ft. over all, 24 ft. 6 in. beam, and 13 ft. moulded depth. Her engines are compound surface condensing, cylinders 15 and 31 inch, stroke 21 inch, boiler 9 ft. 6 in. diameter by 10 ft. long, and working pressure 120 lbs. The gross tonnage is 252.94, and the net 168.83. Needless to say, the specifications on which she is built are those conducive to withstanding the variable and, at times, rough and tumble sor of weather, experienced at the mouth of the Northern river. Comfort has also been studied; the saloon and pilots' berths being at the forward end, away from the screw; the crew's quarters are abaft. The vessel, in appearance, is a straight cut craft; she has a hard weather clean swept deck, a buff funnel and two masts. The frame work is of yalac and the planking of teak.

HONGKONG LIFE INSURANCE AGENTS' ASSOCIATION.

The local representatives of Life Insurance Companies, excepting the Marine Life, held a conference on Friday last and decided to form an association to be named as above. Those who attended the meeting were Messrs. F. Kiene (Equitable) chairman, W. J. G. Whitley (Sun, of Canada), Powell Grant (New York), Lefferts Knox (China Mutual), H. M. Tibby (Manufacturers), and E. G. Barrett, of Messrs. Dodwell and Co., Ltd. (Standard).

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Mr. HENRY PHIPPS IN HONGKONG.

Mr. Henry Phipps, who is a partner of Mr. Carnegie, has arrived at Hongkong from the Delhi Durbar and is proceeding to the United States via Japan. He is accompanied by Mrs. and Miss Phipps, and is staying at the Hongkong Hotel. In connection with his visit it is interesting to note that he has recently given £30,000 to the Viceroy of India for the benefit of the people of that country. He first gave a magnificent donation of £20,000 which the Viceroy decided to devote to the foundation of a Central Agricultural Laboratory and of a Pasture Institute for Southern India. Mr. Phipps was so much pleased with the purposes to which the money was to be devoted, that he decided to increase his gift by another £10,000, and the Government of India are considering whether they may be able in connection with this increased gift to carry out measures for combining agricultural education, scientific research and practical experiment, in one locality.

AT THE THEATRE.

"FACING THE MUSIC."

Discordant strains echoed and re-echoed in Flat No. 19, Mono Mansions, Kensington, on Saturday evening and John Smith (the other Smith) experienced a lively two hours listening to the band. The amusing scenes enacted in that aristocratic quarter are not unknown in Hongkong, as only a few weeks since the Janet Waldorf Company faced similar music and delighted a full house. Nevertheless, Hongkong was greatly pleased when the announcement was made that the farcical comedy would be presented by the Brough Company and a large audience faced the footlights on Saturday and spent a merry evening. The witlings of Mr. Brough as John Smith, the blarney of Mr. Leslie Victor in the garb of the Rev. John Smith, the indignation of Mrs. Brough in the rôle of Nora, and the "deuced fine girl that don't yer know!" of the gallant Colonel, Mr. Orlando Daly, were in keeping with the play and, with equally good acting on the part of the Company, the force was swiftly carried through from the time the "other Smith" slipped in with the milkman and emerged triumphant after facing the music.

"THE TYRANNY OF TEARS."

For the last two performances Mr. Brough has made a very happy selection from his repertoire of plays. As every theatregoer knows *The Tyranny of Tears* is by C. Haddon Chambers, author of *The Elder*, *Captain Swift* and other brilliant works. By general consent *The Tyranny of Tears* is voted his very best effort, and its success year after year in England, America and Australia amply bears out this statement. Undoubtedly the play points a moral. Clement Parbury, a successful writer, was for five years the victim of a fearful wife. Whenever she wanted her own way Mrs. Parbury cried; and poor, distracted, nervoushaken Clement had to yield. There are many Clement Parburys in this world, who do as he did, drift on a river of tears, until they find themselves on the verge of a veritable Niagara. In a moment of abstraction, which she afterwards ascribes to "maternal affection," Miss Woodward, Clement Parbury's matter-of-fact secretary, kisses her master's photograph. The point was that Miss Woodward pitied Clement. As she very aptly put it, Mrs. Parbury was always roughing her husband's hair when he wanted it smooth, and smoothing it when he desired it rough. The incident is to be kept a secret between the two women, but Mrs. Parbury insists on Miss Woodward leaving. Clement seizes the opportunity to become strong, and will not hear of his secretary going without good reason. He has been robbed of his old friends, his clubs, his high spirits, his self-respect, and many other possessions by the tyranny of his wife's tears; but he puts his foot down, and will not part with his amanuensis. The sympathy of the public is naturally with Clement, notwithstanding that his wife charges him with being "unreasonable." Mrs. Parbury threatens to go to her father unless the secretary is dismissed. Clement is obdurate, and the scene ends with Mrs. Parbury leaving to get her hat and cloak, and saying with confidence "He'll never let me go," and Clement murmuring assuredly "She won't go." Both are mistaken, however, for Mrs. Parbury takes shelter under her father's roof. The dramatist having taught an excellent lesson has to bring the two together again, so he finds a husband in the person of Mr. George Gunning, a cynical friend of Clement's, for Miss Woodward, and the lover scene between the two is, extremely novel and natural. Mrs. Parbury comes back, and after some good advice by Clement, which many a one could take to heart, the lovers of five years' standing are reunited and start on a much more understandable and better footing. Clement could not have drifted into a cat-and-dog life with his wife, with an aching hatred one for the other in private and the veneer of courtesy and a smile in public. The only other character is an amusing and intensely human retired colonel, the father of Mrs. Parbury. The dialogue is exceedingly smart and clever, and it has the additional virtue of being spontaneous. *The Tyranny of Tears* is a play which one can evoke hearty laughter from start to finish, and if those who are in need of the home truth will read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest the moral lesson they will ever remember Haddon Chambers with gratitude.

To-morrow night the Brough Company positively make their final appearance in Hongkong, when *Are you a Mason?* will be revived by universal desire. And with that performance will come to a close one of the most successful—artistically and financially—seasons ever played in the City Hall. The Company leave for Shanghai on Wednesday.

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CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, 13th March.

THE CANTON BUND.

We have been disappointed so often regarding the building of a bund along the river that any announcement regarding it is received with a degree of hesitation. A few days ago a proclamation was issued saying that the bund had been surveyed and its construction would soon be undertaken. Upon inquiry I find that some kind of an agreement had been made for the construction of a bund. Whether the agreement is in the nature of a contract, and what the nature of the contract is, I have not been able to ascertain. There are many rumours abroad regarding it but most of them are wide of the truth. It will certainly be an advantage to shippers to have a good bund. Prefect Kung created a good deal of interest in the project to build the bund before he left Canton.

SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

The school for girls opened last year near and, in a sense, connected with the Shi Man Hok Tong, has been re-opened. At first the Viceroy refused his sanction, but later changed his mind and the school opened. The subscriptions towards the support of the school are not as large as the promoters would like. Two women have been engaged as teachers. The directors are endeavouring to secure a teacher trained at some of the mission schools to teach Western learning and no objection will be made to instruction in the Christian religion. The late Viceroy Tao Mu's prediction regarding teachers is coming true. His prediction was that the one difficulty regarding these schools would prove to be a lack of teachers. I have seen several schools for English taught by Chinese, and though pupils are never wanting I have not seen one Chinese who understands the art of teaching.

THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

Mr. E. S. Little writes as follows to the *N. C. D. News*:—Since the publication of my pamphlet on the currency question your columns have contained a number of important communications and suggestions upon this most important problem. It is further noticeable that the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce has reversed the previous action of its Committee and also that the Tientsin Chamber of Commerce are taking some action in the matter. I have brought the question to the attention of both the China Association and the Shanghai Chamber of Commerce but in neither case has the Committee yet seen fit to take action. Shanghai, as practically the commercial capital of China, should take the lead in these great questions and it is to be hoped that public opinion will bring the Committees of these bodies to some definite line of action.

Commercial.

HEMP.

Messrs. Warner, Barnes & Co., Ltd., writing from Manila on 28th ult. state:—The hemp market has been rather inanimate locally owing to the continued difference between buyers and sellers. The latter have consequently been storing arrivals until they now hold some 50,000 bales free hemp. Receipts have been moderate during the interval, but it seems likely that during the coming month we shall see these on a freer scale, and possibly a consequent lower range of prices. We quote fair current to-day with sellers at \$22.50 per picul equal at exchange 1/7 1/2 to £33.94 per ton f.o.b.

RICE.

They also state:—Three cargoes of new grain from Saigon have arrived, and gone into consumption at \$5.87 1/2 per picul f.o.b., the quantity of rice contracted for is insignificant, as importers were afraid of high prices ruling and held aloof waiting cheaper grain—values, however, have continued advancing, and the earliest date millers can contract is for May shipment, at prices which will lay down here at \$7 per picul. In view of the general shortage of crops in the producing markets, it seems improbable that we shall see cheaper grain all through the season.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer	1/7
Bank Bills, on demand	1/7 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/7 1/2
D'ments 4 months' sight	1/7 1/2
ON BERLIN, (demand)	M. 1.62 1/2
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand	1.99 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	2.03
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand	38 1/2
Credits, 30 days' sight	39 1/2
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer	118 1/2
On demand	118 1/2
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer	73 1/2
Private 30 days' sight	nom.
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T.	77 1/2
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate	\$12.64
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael	65.50
Bar Silver	22 1/2

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—	Per chest
MALWA NEW	@ \$980
LAST YEAR	@ 1,000/1,010
OLDEST	@ 1,000/1,150
PATNA NEW	@ 1,115
BEHAR NEW	@ 1,095
PERIAN (PAPER)	@ 800/850

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To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC LECTURE.

THE Reverend E. J. HARDY, author of "HOW TO BE HAPPY THOUGH MARRIED" has kindly consented to deliver a LECTURE at the CITY HALL, on FRIDAY, the 20th of March, 1903, at 5.15 P.M., on "MARRIAGE." H.E. Sir WILLIAM GASCOIGNE, K.C.M.G., will take the Chair.
The Public are invited to this Lecture.
H. E. POLLOCK,
Hon. Sec.,
Hongkong Odd Volumes Society.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [333c]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Captain S. ROBINSON, R.N.R., to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on SATURDAY, the 21st March, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., within his residence, No. 4, Bellios Terrace, THE WHOLE OF HIS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising:—DRAWING ROOM SUITE, IRON BEDSTEAD WITH WIRE AND HAIR MATTRESSES, BLACK-WOOD CABINET AND DESK, MARBLE-TOP WASH STANDS and DRESSING TABLES with BEVELLED GLASS, TEAK-WOOD OVERMANTELS with GLASS, BRASS AND IRON FENDERS, MARBLE-TOP BLACK-WOOD STANDS, BLACK-WOOD CORNERSTANDS, TEAK-WOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE, MARBLE-TOP TABLES, BRONZES, MOROCCO-COVERED ARM CHAIRS, ELECTRIC PLATED CROCKERY and GLASS WARE, ICE CHEST, CHEST-OF-DRAWERS, OIL PAINTINGS, CARPETS, RUGS, SHANGHAI BATH, COOKING STOVES and UTENSILS, &c., &c.
TERMS:—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [324c]

CAMPBELL, MOORE & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the above COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 20, Queen's Road Central, at 4 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 31st March, 1903, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1902. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th March to the 31st March, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
M. A. A. SOUZA,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [335c]

NOTICE.

OWING TO INSUFFICIENT ENTRIES the RACE MEETING advertised for the 4th April next has been ABANDONED.
A. S. ANTON,
Acting Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [326c]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"MARIA VALERIE,"
Captain Bellen, will leave for the above places on SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, at Daylight.
This steamer has capital accommodation for passengers, electric light, and carries a doctor.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & Co.,
Agents,
Prince's Building.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [328c]

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

Under the direction of Mr. ROBERT BROUGH, Representative.....Mr. ALLAN HAMILTON.

SEASON TERMINATES TO-MORROW (TUESDAY).

LAST TWO NIGHTS OF THE BROUGH COMEDY COMPANY.

TO-NIGHT (MONDAY), MARCH 16TH, and TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), MARCH 17TH. LAST TWO PERFORMANCES!

TO-NIGHT (MONDAY), 16th MARCH, "THE TYRANNY OF TEARS."

(By arrangement with the author.) A comedy in Four Acts, by C. Haddon Chambers.

TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), 17th MARCH, LAST NIGHT OF THE SEASON!

"ARE YOU A MASON?"

(By arrangement with Charles Frohman, Esq.) A farce in Three Acts, by Leo. Diederichstein.

BOX PLANS AT ROBINSON'S.

Dress Circle and Orchestra Stalls, \$4.00. Stalls, \$2.00. Back Seats, \$1.00.

Drops Open 8.30. Curtain 9. Chairs, etc., at 11.30. Late Tram to the Peak as usual. Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [151c]

BROUGH COMEDY SEASON.

NOTICE.

ALL OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS must be rendered this Day (MONDAY) for PAYMENT TO-MORROW (TUESDAY). ROBERT BROUGH.
City Hall,
Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [151c]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW. THE Company's Steamship

"THALES,"
Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 18th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage apply to
DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [327c]

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STEAM FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship

"SACHSEN,"
of the NORDEUTSCHER LOYD, Captain W. Franke, due here with the outward German Mail about THURSDAY, A.M., the 19th instant, will leave for the above Places about 24 hours after arrival.

NORDEUTSCHER LOYD.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1903. [163c]



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CHIFFONS, GAUZES,
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LACE COLLARS AND TIES
IN THE VERY LATEST DESIGNS. NOVELTIES IN
LADIES' NECKWEAR.

LADIES' UNDERCLOTHING.
SILK, WOOL, AND COTTON GARMENTS. NAINSOOK
GARMENTS FOR SUMMER WEAR.
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IN THE FOLLOWING MAKES:—MADAM LEIDER,
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IN LARGE VARIETY.
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GOODS WILL BE PERFECT.
HOUSEHOLD LINENS.
ALL KINDS OF LINENS, LININGS, CALICOES,
AND SHIRTINGS STOCKED.

BEDS AND BEDDING.
BEDS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION. HAIR, FLOCK, FEATHER,
RATTAN AND SPRING MATTRESSES.

LADIES' BOOTS AND SHOES
STOCKED IN ENGLISH AND AMERICAN SHAPES.
AN ENTIRELY NEW STOCK HAS JUST ARRIVED.
IT INCLUDES ALL KINDS OF THE BEST MAKES IN
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February 25th.

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AMERICAN SHAPES, ENGLISH LEATHER AND
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